- (7) At CSR 38-2-7.4.b.1.I.2., the words "rock cover."
- (8) At CSR 38-2-7.4.b.1.I.3., the phrase "or, if a commercial forestry mitigation plan is submitted to the Director, and approved and completed."
- (9) The portion of CSR 38-2-7.4.b.1.I.4. concerning in-kind mitigation plans.
- (10) At CSR 38-2-14.12.a.1., the term "commercial forestry."
- (c) We are not approving the following provisions of the proposed program amendment that West Virginia submitted on March 14, 2000, March 28, 2000, and April 6, 2000:
- (1) At CSR 38-2-7.5.j.3.B., the phrase, "except for those areas with a slope of at least 50%" is not approved, and the phrase, "and other areas from which the applicant affirmatively demonstrates and the Director of the WVDEP finds that soil cannot reasonably be recovered" is not approved.
- (2) At CSR 38-2-7.5.j.6.A., the word "excessive" in the phrase "excessive erosion" is not approved.
- (3) At CSR 38-2-7.5.o.2., the new planting arrangements and stocking standards are not approved.
- (4) At CSR 38-2-7.5.o.2., the words "rock cover" are not approved.
- (d) We are not approving the following provision of the proposed blasting-related program amendment that West Virginia submitted on October 30, 2000, and November 28, 2001: At CSR 199-1-4.8.c, the phrase "substantial or significant" is not approved.
- (e) Section 22A-3-23(c)(3) of the Code of West Virginia is found inconsistent with Section 519(c)(3) of SMCRA to the extent that it states: "Provided, however, That such a release may be made where the quality of the untreated postmining water discharged is better than or equal to the premining water quality discharged from the mining site."
- (f) Section 22A-3-12(e) of the Code of West Virginia is found inconsistent with Section 515(e) of SMCRA.
  - (g) [Reserved]
- (h) We are not approving the following provisions of the proposed program amendment that West Virginia submitted on March 25, 2004:
- (1) At CSR 38-2-7.6.e.1, the word "excessive."

- (2) At CSR 38-2-7.7.e.1, the word "excessive."
- (i) We are not approving the following provisions of the proposed program amendment that West Virginia submitted on June 13, 2005, and modified on August 23, 2005:
- (1) At CSR 38–2–5.4.e.1, the words "Impoundments meeting."  $^{\prime\prime}$
- (2) At CSR 38-2-7.4.b.1.J.1(c), the deletion of the words "surface material shall be composed of soil and the materials described in subparagraph 7.4.b.1.D."

[48 FR 52053, Nov. 16, 1983, as amended at 50 FR 28323, 28342, July 11, 1985; 55 FR 21337, May 23, 1990; 61 FR 6535, Feb. 21, 1996; 65 FR 26135, May 5, 2000; 65 FR 50430, Aug. 18, 2000; 65 FR 80328, Dec. 21, 2000; 68 FR 40167, July 7, 2003; 68 FR 68738, Dec. 10, 2003; 70 FR 6590, Feb. 8, 2005; 71 FR 10790, Mar. 2, 2006]

## § 948.13 State statutory and regulatory provisions set aside.

- (a)-(b) [Reserved]
- (c) The following wording in section 22A-3-23(c)(3) of the Code of West Virginia is inconsistent with section 519(c)(3) of the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 and is hereby set aside:

Provided, however, That such a release may be made where the quality of the untreated postmining water discharged is better than or equal to the premining water quality discharged from the mining site.

- (d) Section 22A-3-12(e) of the Code of West Virginia is inconsistent with section 515(e) of the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 and is hereby set aside in its entirety.
  - (e)-(f) [Reserved]

[50 FR 35084, Aug. 29, 1985, as amended at 61 FR 6535, Feb. 21, 1996]

## § 948.15 Approval of West Virginia regulatory program amendments.

The following table lists the dates that West Virginia submitted proposed amendments to OSM, the dates when OSM published final rules approving all or portions of those amendments in the FEDERAL REGISTER, and the State statutory or regulatory citations for those amendments (or a brief description of the amendment). The amendments appear in order of the date of publication

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of the final rules announcing OSM's decisions on the amendments. The preambles to those final rules identify and discuss any assumptions underlying ap-

proval, any conditions placed on the approval, and any exceptions to the approval.

| Original amendment submission date   | Date of publication of final rule  | Citation/description of approved provisions   |
|--|--|---|
| October 29, 1981<br>June 17, 1982<br>September 14, 1982,<br>October 29, 1982,<br>February 16, 1983,<br>April 29, 1983,<br>June 15, 1983,<br>September 13,<br>1983. | May 11, 1982<br>September 10, 1982<br>March 1, 1983<br>November 16, 1983 | § 10.<br>§E.03 of the State's coal refuse disposal regulations.<br>§§ 4D.04h; 6A.02a.6; 6B.02, .07c.2, f; 7A.02a.6; 12B.07; 15A.01; Part H concerning alternative bonding system.<br>Technical Handbook of Standards and Specifications for Mining Operations; applicability; bond release procedures for interim program permits; incidental mining.   |
| January 12, 1984<br>November 20, 1984<br>March 30, 1984, Oc-<br>tober 30, 1984,<br>May 20, 1985,<br>June 14, 1985.<br>November 11, 1985                            | September 20, 1984<br>April 23, 1985<br>July 11, 1985<br>March 20, 1986  | Chapter 22–4 Series—blaster certification program. Chapter 22–4 Series, §6.01(B), 9—blaster certification program. Reclamation and coal refuse disposal; Transfer of program authority; permit addendum and Chapter 20, Revegetation, of the Technical Handbook for Surface Mining; permit or significant revision to a permit; the coal exploration approval document; civil penalty procedures; assessable and non-assessable violations. Financial analysis and supporting documentation demonstrating sufficient money in the special reclamation fund; withdrawals from the fund; noncoal administra-  |
| June 30, 1986, April<br>26, 1986.<br>June 29, 1990<br>July 12, 1991<br>July 30, 1993   | May 23, 1990  October 4, 1991  November 19, 1991  August 16, 1995        | tive expenses.  Code of Violations; Replacement of all regulations in chapter 20, Article 6, Series VII and VII-A (1985) with new set of Legislative Rules at title 38, Series 2.  CSR 38-2 §§ 2, 3, 5, 6, 9, 11 through 14, 17, 20, 22.  CSR 38-2-20.5, .6, .7.  CSR 38-2-14.14(b)(4), (g)(1)(B), (g)(8), (11), (12).  |
| June 28, 1993  | Cotober 4, 1995,<br>February 21,<br>1996.                                | WV Code 22–1-4 through -8; 22–2; 22–3–3, -5, -7, -8, -9, a, -11(a), (g), -12, -13, -15, -17, -18, -19, -22, -26, -28, -40; 22B–1-4 through -12; 22B–3-4; 22B–4; CSR 38–2-1.2, -2, -3.1(o), 4, 6, .7, .8, .12, .14, .15, .16, .25, .26, .27(a), .28, .29, .30, .31(a), .32, .33, .34, -4, .1(a), .2 through .12, -5.2, .4, .5, -6, .3(b), .6, .8, -8.1, -9, -11.1 through .7, -12.2, .3, .4(a), (2)(B), (c) through (e) except the words "other responsible party" at (e) are not approved, .5, -13, -14.5, .8, .11, .12, .14, .15, .17, .18, .19, -15.2, -16.2, -17, -18.3, -20.1, .2, .4 through .7, -22; 38–2C–4, -5, -8.2, -10.1, -11.1; 38–2D–4.4(b), -6.3(a), -8.7(a). |
| April 2, 1996<br>February 23, 1998   | July 24, 1996<br>July 14, 1998   | CSR 38-2-4.12, -5.4(c), -12.2(e), -14.3(c), 14(e)(4), 15(m). WV Code Sections 22B-1-7(d), 7(h); 22B-3-4. WV Regulations CSR 38-2-1.2(c)(1). Vacating of retroactive approval published on February 21, 1996.  |
| April 28, 1997   | February 9, 1999   | W.Va. Code 22–3 Šections 3(u)(2)(1) (decision deferred), (2)(not approved), (3); 3(x), (y) (partial approval), (z) (partial approval), 13(b)(20), (22), (c)(3) (decision deferred), 15(h); 17(b); 18(c), (f); 28 (a-c) (not approved), (d), (e) (decision deferred), (f). WV Regulations CSR 38–2 Sections 2.4, 2.43 (not approved), 2.108, 2.120; 3.2.e; 3.12.a.1 (partial approval), 2. (partial approval), 3.14.b.7 & 8 deleted, 1.2.E., 1.5B deleted, 1.3.B; 3.2.9.a (partial approval); 3.35; 5.5.c; 6.5.a; 8.2.e; 9.2.i.2; 9.3.h.1, .2; 14.11.e, .f, .g, .h; 14.15.b.6.A, .c, .d; 16.2.c (partial approval), .2, .3, .4 (partial approval for .4); 20.1.e             |
| April 28, 1997<br>May 11, 1998   | May 14, 1999<br>May 5, 2000  | W.Va. Code 22–3 Section 13(c)(3) [not approved]. West Virginia regulations at CSR 38–2–2.25; 2.102; 3.32.d.12; 14.16 through 14.19; 22.5.1; 24 (except 24.4).   |
| May 5, 1999  | October 1, 1999  | CSR 38–2–2.11; 2.78; 3.12.a.2, and .2.B; 3.32.b; 3.35; 14.12.a.1; 16.2.c, and .c.3; and 22.4.g.   |
| March 25, 1999   | November 12, 1999  | W.Va. Code 22-1-7(a)(7); 22-3-13(a), (b)(3) and (15), (e), and (f); 22-3-13a, in 13a(g) the words "upon request" are not approved, in 13a(j)(2) the phrase "or the surface impacts of the underground mining methods" is not approved; 22-3-22a; 22-3-23(c)(3) decision is deferred; 22-3-24(c), (d), (e), and (f); 22-3-30a, in 30a(a) the phrase "of overburden and coal" is not approved; 30a(c) and (f) are not approved; and 22-3A.  |
| March 14, 2000,<br>March 28, 2000,<br>and April 6, 2000.   | August 18, 2000  | W.Va. Code 22-3– at 3(e), (u)(2); (y); 13(c)(3) (qualified approval), (c)(3)(B)(iii); 23(c)(1), (2) (partial approval). CSR 38–2– at 2.31, 2.45, 2.98, 2.123, 2.136; 3.8c; 3.25; 7.2.i; 7.3; 7.4.a (qualified approval); 7.4.b.1, 7.4.b.1.A. (qualified approval), 7.4.b.1.B., C. (partial approval), D. (partial approval), E. (qualified approval), F., G. (partial approval), J. (qualified approval), F., G. (partial approval), J. (qualified approval), K.; 14.15.f.  |
| March 14, 2000,<br>March 28, 2000,<br>and April 6, 2000.   | 12/21/00   | CSR 38–2–7.5.(qualified approval), 7.5.a., b., c., d., e. (qualified approval), f. (qualified approval), g. (qualified approval), h. (h.2.B. is a qualified approval), i. (i.1.B., i.3.H., i.3.Q. and i.7.A., and i.10. are qualified approvals), j. (j.2.C. and j.2.E. are qualified approvals; j.3.B. partial approval; j.4. qualified approval, j.6.A. partial approval, j.6.B. qualified approval, v. (qualified approval), l., m., n., o. (qualified approval; o.2. is a partial approval).  |

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| Original amendment submission date  | Date of publication of final rule  | Citation/description of approved provisions   |
|---|------------------------------------|---|
| September 24, 2001  | December 28, 2001                  | W. Va. Code 22-1-17; 22-3-11(a), (c), (d), (g) through (n); 22-3-12(a) through  |
| November 30, 2000;<br>May 2, 2001; November 28, 2001;<br>February 26, 2002;<br>March 8, 2002. | May 1, 2002                        | (f). Emergency rule provisions: CSR 38–2–3.12.a.1, a.2, a.2.B; 5.4.b.8, d.3; 16.2.c.4. Policy/guidance documents submitted February 26, 2002: Attachments 1A; 2P; 3P and the updated listing (Administrative Record Number WV–1278); 4 except examples 1 and 3 through 8; 6; and 9. Policy/guidance documents submitted March 8, 2002: Attachments 1; 3A; and 8. In House Bill 2663: CSR 38–2–3.12.a.1; 3.14.a; 12.2.e; 12.4.e; 14.8.a.6; 16.2.c.4; and 24.4.   |
| September 24, 2001<br>April 9, 2002   | May 29, 2002                       | In Senate Bill 689: W. Va. Code 22–3–13a(g), (j); 30a(a). CSR 38–2–12.5.d.  |
| April 9, 2002   | December 3, 2002                   | CSR 38-2-14.15.a.1, a.2; b.5; b.6.A, b.6.B.1; c, c.1, c.4; d, d.1, d.2, d.3; e, e.1, e.2, e.3; g (partial approval), g.2; i (qualified approval).   |
| May 21, 2001, August 12, 2002.  | May 7, 2003                        | W. Va. Code 22–3–10(b).   |
| April 9, 2002, June<br>19, 2002.<br>March 18, 2003  | July 7, 2003                       | CSR 38–2: 2.31.b.1; 2.43; 2.108; 3.1.i.2; 3.25.a.4; 3.30.d.8; 3.32.e; 5.4.e.2; 7.4.a.1; 7.4.b.1.C.5; 7.4.b.1.D.1; 7.4.b.1.G.1; 7.4.b.1.G.3; 7.4.b.1.H.2; 7.4.b.1.L2; 7.4.b.1.1.2; 7.5.i.1.B; 7.5.i.3.Q; 7.5.i.10; 7.5.j.3.A; 7.5.j.6.A; 7.5.j.6.B; 7.5.o.2; 8.2.b.3; 10.4.a.1.D; 10.6.b.3; 11.2.b; 11.4.a.1; 11.4.a.4; 11.5. (deletion of former); 11.5.a; 12.5.e; 14.12.a.1; 17.3.b.2; 17.4; 17.6; and 22.7.a. CSR 38–2–3.2.c, 3.7.d, 3.20 3.22.f.5.A, A.1, and A.2, 5.4.b.4, 5.4.b.11, 5.6, 8.2.e,  |
| May 2, 2001, July 1,  | December 1, 2003                   | 9.1.a, 9.3.d, 9.3.f, 10.2.a.4, 10.3.a.1, 10.4.c.1, 10.6.b.2, b.7.A, b.7.B, b.8, 14.5.h, 14.14.g.1, g.2 (partial approval; also, approved only to the extent that after removal of erosion protection zones, the stream channel will be restored), and g.3, 14.15.a.2, c, and g, 17.1, 20.6.a, c, and d, e, f, and j, 22.4.g.3.A and i.6, 24.2.a, 24.3, and 24.4. CSR 38–4–25.14. CSR 38–2–2.39 (a deletion), 3.22.e, 3.31.a (deferral), 3.32.g, 5.2.a, and 11.3.a.3.  |
| 2003.   | ·                                  |   |
| October 30, 2000,<br>November 28,<br>2001.  | December 10, 2003                  | <ul> <li>W.V.a. Code 22–3–13a(a)(3), (b), (c), (f)(14), (g); 22a(a), (b), (e), (f), (g); 30a(b), (b)(3), (b)(3), (b)(5), (c), (d), (e), (f), (h).</li> <li>Code of State Regulations CSR 199–1, except as identified at 30 CFR 948.12(d), and subdivision 3.10.d is a qualified approval.</li> </ul>  |
| March 14, 2000,<br>March 28, 2000,<br>and April 5, 2000.                                      | June 17, 2004                      | CSR 38-2-7.4.b.1.l.   |
| March 25, 2004  | February 8, 2005                   | CSR 38–2–3.12.a.1; 7.6 (except the word "excessive" at 7.6.e.1); 7.7 (except the word "excessive" at 7.7.e.1); 9.3.g; 14.15.a.1; 14.15.g; 20.1.a.6; 22.5.a; 23 (deleted); and 24. Reduced Inspection Frequency Policy dated November 3, 2004.   |
| October 17, 2005,<br>and amended No-<br>vember 4, 2005.                                       | December 30, 2005                  | CSR 38-2-11.3.a.3.  |
| June 13, 2005, and<br>modified on August<br>23, 2005.   | March 2, 2006                      | W.Va. Code 22–3–11(h)(2)(B); 11a; 32a; 22–27–1 through 12. CSR 38–2–2.92; 3.29.a; 5.4.a, b.9, b.10, b.12, c.7, d.3, d.4, e.1, f; 7.4.b.1.A.1, A.3, A.3(b), A.4, B.1, C.1, C.2, C.3, C.4, C.5, D.6, D.8, D.9, D.11, H.1, H.2, H.6, I.1, I.2, I.3, I.4, J.1; 7.5.a, b.3, i.10, i.3.A, j.3.B, j.3.E, I.4.A, o.2; 9.3.d, 9.3.e; 14.5.h, 14.14.g.2.A.6; 14.15.c.3; 20.6.d, 20.6.j. CSR 199–1–2.36a, 2.36b, 2.37; 3.3.b, 3.7; 4.8, 4.8.c, 4.8.f, 4.8.g, 4.9; Water Rights and Replacement Policy (August 1995); September 2003 MOA between WVDEP, DMR and WVDNR, Wild Resources Section; Permittee's Request for Release form, Item 11, dated March 2005. |
| April 17, 2006  | August 28, 2006                    | W. Va. Code 22–3–24(c), (d), (e), and (h).<br>CSR 38–2–7.2.e.1; 7.3.d; and 7.8 (qualified approval).  |
| April 17, 2008<br>March 22, 2007  | June 16, 2008<br>December 24, 2008 | W. Va. Code 22–3–11(g) (interim approval), 11(h)(1) (interim approval). CSR 38–2–2.39 (deletion of cumulative impact definition). CSR 38–2–3.22.e (approval of material damage to the hydrologic balance definition).   |
| May 28, 2009<br>May 2, 2011   | July 22, 2009<br>June 29, 2011     | W. Va. Code 22–3–11(h)(1) (interim approval). W. Va. Code 22–3–7(b); 8(a)(4); 19(a)(4); 19(b)(2); 19(b)(3); 19(d); and 19(e) (interim approvals). CSR 38–2–11.4.a.2 (interim approval).   |
| April 27, 2012  | July 11, 2012                      | W. Va. Code 22–3–11(h)(1) (interim approval).   |

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